

**RULES
OF
TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY
WILDLIFE RESOURCES**

**CHAPTER 1660-1-27
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR STATE OPERATED
HUNTER EDUCATION CENTERS AND FIRING RANGES**

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1660-1-27-.01 PUBLIC USAGE.

- (1) The state operated Hunter Education Centers are open to the general public for use subject to the following rules:
 - (a) Unattended vehicles shall not be left in such a manner as to deprive or interfere with parking areas or access roads. Offending vehicle(s) may be towed and the driver(s) issued a citation.
 - (b) No person, or persons, shall deface, damage, destroy or remove any equipment, structure, trees, fruits, nuts, crops, or other plants dirt gravel or sod on the area controlled by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.
 - (c) No garbage, rubbish, litter or any refuse, sewage or other material which would pollute said areas or render them unsatisfactory or unsanitary shall be left on the area.
 - (d) No species of wildlife may be molested or hunted on the area unless authorized by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission.
 - (e) Shooting positions will be allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - (f) Only the shooter and/or coach may be on the firing line. All others must remain in designated areas for non-shooters.
 - (g) Other uses of the Hunter Education Facilities are subject to approval of the facility manager.
 - (h) All incidents resulting in the injury to persons or damage to property must be reported by the person or persons involved as soon as possible to the facility manager or the duty range master. This report does not relieve persons from the responsibility of making any other accident report that may be required under state law.

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-2-224. **Administrative History:** Original rule filed May 31, 2000; effective August 14, 2000.

1660-1-27-.02 USE PERMITS - FEES.

- (1) Before any person may shoot at a Hunter Education Center, such person must possess a valid entrance ticket. This ticket must be available for inspection while using the range.
- (2) Entrance ticket fees will be established for each individual center and shall include up to 2 paper targets. Additional paper targets will be provided for a fee.

(Rule 1660-1-27-.02, continued)

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-2-224. **Administrative History:** Original rule filed May 31, 2000; effective August 14, 2000.

1660-1-27-.03 GENERAL RULES.

Violation of the following rules may result in a citation and/or expulsion from the range.

- (1) Participants may not possess any alcoholic beverage, narcotic drug, barbiturate, marijuana or other behavior-modifying substance while on the area. No individual may be under the influence of these substances at any time while within the facilities.
- (2) Participants may not carry loaded firearms while within the facilities. Firearms may only be loaded while at shooting stations.
- (3) Safety zones are defined as an area of protection which may have restricted activities around buildings, firing and archery ranges, roads and other designated areas.
- (4) Target practice is prohibited except at the ranges provided.
- (5) Driving into woods, fields or glades is prohibited.
- (6) Acts of disorderly or unsafe conduct, including acts which interfere with the orderly processes conducted at the Hunter Education Center are prohibited.
- (7) Domesticated animals are prohibited.
- (8) Youths under 16 years of age must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- (9) Only approved paper targets may be used.
- (10) Paper targets must be placed on frames provided by the Agency.
- (11) Ranges are open only during posted days and hours.
- (12) All paper targets, expended rounds and litter must be removed from the range.
- (13) Eye and hearing protection must be worn while on or in the firing range area.
- (14) Range officers will have control of range safety, activities and persons using the range.
- (15) Range flags or other signaling devices will be displayed while the range is active.
- (16) The Hunter Education Centers may be used for training or other activities as scheduled during off or non-peak days and hours. The individual fee rate will apply for all participants in training events or other activities.
- (17) Unauthorized trespass in the range area is prohibited.
- (18) All participants must check in through the range office.
- (19) Special activities must be scheduled and approved by the range master.
- (20) Hunter education classes are to be scheduled a minimum of two weeks in advance.

(Rule 1660-01-27-.03, continued)

- (21) Hunter education class participants and instructors will not be charged a use fee for the required live fire exercise.
- (22) Full metal-jacketed ammunition is prohibited.

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-2-224. **Administrative History:** Original rule filed May 31, 2000; effective August 14, 2000.

1660-1-27-.04 STONES RIVER HUNTER EDUCATION CENTER AND CHEATHAM WMA FIRING RANGE.

- (1) Use Fees
 - (a) Adult (16 years of age and older) - \$5.00 per 2 hours.
 - (b) Youth (15 years of age or less) - \$1.00 per 2 hours.
 - (c) Adult Annual Fee (16 years of age and older) - \$100.00.
 - (d) Youth Annual Fee (15 years of age or less) - \$25.00.

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206, 70-2-224, and 70-4-107. **Administrative History:** Original rule filed May 31, 2000; effective August 14, 2000. Amendment filed September 15, 2000; effective November 29, 2000. Amendment filed February 10, 2005; effective April 26, 2005. Amendment filed August 19, 2005; effective November 2, 2005.

1660-1-27-.05 TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY HUNTER EDUCATION AND RANGE FACILITY.

- (1) Use Fees
 - (a) \$8.00 per hour (all ages); \$12.00 per hour for two persons sharing a lane, if and when allowed.
 - (b) Annual Fee (all ages) - \$420.00
 - (c) Group fee - \$100.00 per hour with \$500 minimum.
 - (d) Classroom fee - \$35.00 per hour and a \$150.00 damage deposit.
 - (e) Surcharge of \$50.00 for after-hour use of facilities, in addition to regular rates.

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-2-224. **Administrative History:** Original rule filed May 31, 2000; effective August 14, 2000. Amendment filed September 15, 2000; effective November 29, 2000. Amendment filed June 21, 2002; effective September 4, 2002. Amendment filed February 10, 2005; effective April 26, 2005.

1660-1-27-.06 JOHN SEVIER HUNTER EDUCATION.

- (1) Use Fees
 - (a) Adult (16 years of age and older) - \$5.00 per 2 hours.
 - (b) Youth (15 years of age or less) - \$1.00 per 2 hours.
 - (c) Adult Annual (16 years of age and older) - \$100.00.
 - (d) Youth Annual (15 years of age or less) - \$25.00.

(Rule 1660-1-27-.06, continued)

Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-2-224. **Administrative History:** New rule filed August 31, 2000; effective November 14, 2000. Amendment filed February 10, 2005; effective April 26, 2005.

1660-1-27-.07 MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHOOTING COMPLEX.

- (1) Use Fees
 - (a) Adult (16 years of age and older) - \$5.00 per 2 hours
 - (b) Youth (15 years of age or less) - \$1.00 per 2 hours
 - (c) Adult Annual (16 years of age and older) - \$100.00
 - (c) Youth Annual (15 years of age or less) - \$25.00

Authority: T.C.A. §70-1-206 and §70-2-224. **Administrative History:** Original rule filed January 29, 2007; effective April 11, 2007.